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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 October 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,4-6,8,9 and 11-13 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,4-6,8,9 and 11-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 22 March 2004 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-9 and 11-13 have been considered but are moot in view of the new grounds of rejection. The objection to the Abstract is maintained as no correction appears to have been made. Currently, claims 3, 7 and 10 are canceled and claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-9 and 11-13 are pending for examination.

Specification

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because of "[0023]" at the beginning of the paragraph, please remove "[0023]". Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1-2 and 8-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Salmonsens (US Pub.: 2003/0225568) in view of Blood et al. (US Patent 6,874,060).

4. As per claims 1 and 8, Salmonsens teaches a system and a method of interface with an operating system comprising:

- a drive (e.g. media drive) which receives a removable magnetic media cartridge (e.g. hard disk drive or flash memory devices) ([0026] and [0097]);

- presenting a removable magnetic media system to the operating system (Fig. 3, ref. 304) as an optical drive ([0031], [0058] and [0097]);

- using an optical drive file system to enable communication between the removable magnetic media system and the operating system ([0145]), wherein the optical drive file system is the UDF file system;

- performing read and write data to and from the removable magnetic media system using the optical drive file system ([0031], [0058] and [0071]).

Salmonsens does not expressly teach the system and the method for interfacing removable magnetic media system with the operating system comprising:

- configuring the removable magnetic media system to use an optical drive interface to communicate with the operating system; and

- using MMC commands.

Blood teaches an interface system and method comprising a virtual disk subsystem (Fig. 1-3, ref. 12) configured to provide communication between a storage drive (Fig. 3, ref. 82) and a host (Fig. 1-2, ref. 10) (col. 3, l. 25 to col. 4, l. 19); and utilizing disk commands including Multi-Media Commands (MMC) for accessing the storage drive (col. 3, ll. 40-41).

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It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art, at the time of invention was made to include Blood's virtual disk subsystem into Salmonsens's removable magnetic media system. The resulting combination of the references further teaches the system and the method for interfacing removable magnetic media system with the operating system comprising:

the removable magnetic media system configure to use the virtual disk subsystem to communicate with the host's operating system; and

utilizing the MMC commands for accessing (i.e. read and write operations) the storage drive.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Blood with Salmonsens for the benefit of testing and administering of a computer remotely by providing an alternate boot sequence to the computer remotely (Blood, col. 1, l. 39 to col. 2, l. 10).

5. As per claims 2 and 9, Salmonsens and Blood teach all the limitations of claims 1 and 8 as discussed above, where Salmonsens further teaches the system and the method comprising wherein the optical drive file system is the UDF file system (Salmonsens, [0145]).

6. Claims 4, 6, 11 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Salmonsens (US Pub.: 2003/0225568) and Blood et al. (US Patent 6,874,060), and further in view of "Universal Disk Format Specification".

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Salmonsens and Blood teach all the limitations of claims 1 and 8 as discussed above, where Salmonsens further teaches the system and the method comprising wherein the optical drive file system is the UDF file system (Salmonsens, [0145]).

Salmonsens and Blood do not expressly teach the system and the method comprising:

writing data to the removable magnetic media system in 64K allocations of 2K logical block addresses; and

supporting multiple volume sets.

“Universal Disk Format Specification” teaches a standard comprising:

writing packets of 64KB with 2K sectors (Section 6,10,2,1 on pages 138-139);
and

supporting multi-volume (Section 1.2 on page 3).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art, at the time of invention was made to include Universal Disk Format Specification's packets and multi-volume into Salmonsens and Blood's system.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine “Universal Disk Format Specification” with Salmonsens and Blood as Salmonsens and Blood's system and method operates utilizing the UDF filing system therefore must conforms to the UDF standards.

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7. Claims 5 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Salmonsens (US Pub.: 2003/0225568) and Blood et al. (US Patent 6,874,060), and further in view of Zou et al. (US Patent 7,058,284)

Salmonsens and Blood teach all the limitations of claims 1 and 8 as discussed above, where Salmonsens further teaches the system and the method comprising wherein the signal supplied conforms to one that is supplied from a standard supply device such as CD or DVD (Salmonsens, [0031]).

Salmonsens and Blood do not expressly teach the system and the method comprising wherein automatic launching a program when media is inserted into the removable magnetic media system.

Zou teaches a system and a method comprising the automatic running of a optical disk when the disk is inserted into the disk drive (col. 1, ll. 57-60).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in this art, at the time of invention was made to include Zou's automatic running into Salmonsens and Blood's media.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to combine Zou with Salmonsens and Blood for the benefit of providing a more robust and flexible copy protection scheme (Zou, col. 1, ll. 42-48).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Chun-Kuan (Mike) Lee whose telephone number is (571) 272-0671. The examiner can normally be reached on 8AM to 5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Fritz M. Fleming can be reached on (571) 272-4145. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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